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Wyoming Association of Professional Archaeologists Fall 1993

MINUTES FROM SPRING MEETING, 1993

Executive Committee meeting, Friday a.m., 30 April 1993

The Executive Committee decided to present the following recommendations for WAPA fiscal policy to the membership:

- 1) For 1993, WAPA donations to outside parties not exceed 30 % of average dues for the past three years and interest income. This would not exceed \$300 in total with a maximum of \$200/individual request.
- 2) Purchase a certificate of deposit, or some sort of investment, with the \$1000 donation to establish an endowment of which the principle is not to be touched.
- 3) Financial growth each year should be 25%.

It was also decided that the Executive Committee would recommend individuals to be official WAPA representatives and have oversight of all such activities.

WAPA Business meeting, Friday p.m., 30 April 1993

The meeting was called to order by Anthony Swenson. Approval of the Fall 1992 meeting minutes as they appeared in the newsletter was motioned and passed unanimously. The treasurer report was given by Julie Francis. The current balance was \$3786.66. The membership was reminded that dues have now gone up to \$20.00/year. Karen Kempton, Lane Shields, and Judy Brown were recommended and approved for new membership.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Governmental Affairs</u>: A letter of resignation from Dianne Berrigan, president of the committee, was read to the membership. This has been a difficult and overwhelming task for which WAPA owes Dianne an immense debt of thanks. She has done a spectacular job. Following in her footsteps will be difficult.

Historic Preservation/Legislation Committee: Chris Arthur contacted several western states for information on or copies of their current historic preservation laws. South Dakota regulations appear to be a very good and comprehensive set of guidelines. The next step is to sort through all the information in detail and look for those aspects that might be workable in Wyoming. The present committee consists of Russ Tanner, John Albanese, and Chris Arthur. Mike Bies and Craig Smith volunteered to assist with data compilation. It was noted that the Certified Local Government (CLG) group was working on preservation legislation similar to the Federal regulations. Historic buildings, however, are receiving much greater attention than prehistoric sites. Dealing with state lands is difficult because of the current fiscal problems. This state has also drafted plans twice in the past with the last attempt combining archaeology and paleontology. It was agreed that a president has been set and that a law is necessary.

Archaeological Landscape Committee: Scott McKern wrote up the results from the data collected for the two landscapes in the Kemmerer Resource Area. It was recommended that the landscapes be treated as previously recorded sites that are not eligible for inclusion on the National Register and be noted in the results section of inventory reports. There is not need to fill out any more forms. The resounding consensus was that the forms were more work than the results merited. It was recommended that Scotty's report be put in the newsletter. WAPA also owes Lynn Harrell and Scott McKern a big thanks for all their effort. It was motioned and passed unanimously to dissolve the committee.

BLM Task Force: Rick Bryant presented a summary of the recent meeting. Data sharing and the PA were the main topics of discussion. A data cooperative draft agreement was written by individuals from the various agencies and WAPA. The objective is to make everyone in the state contributors and users of the cooperative. Mary Hopkins will send copies of the draft and perspectus upon request.

Jerry Clark presented an update on the PA with the SHPO and the BLM. The overall goal is to improve the 106 process and synthesize data. The BLM would like to reduce the paperwork and improve management of the resource. A handout was made available. There have been numerous points of debate and conflict between the BLM and ACHP. It was agreed that the situation is becoming a divisive problem and not a joint concern for the resource. Judy Wolf was not present at this meeting, so there was not comments from SHPO's side of this debate. It was decided that until the two proposals were read a discussion was pointless. It was noted that WAPA should be concerned about BLM people managing cultural resources who are not cultural resource people. Once a proposal is agreed to by both agencies, the draft will be available for comment. It was recommended that WAPA and individual contractors make comments on the draft at that time. Suggestions and/or concerns about what is happening with the meeting in May should be addressed to Swen.

SHPO Concerns:

Mary Hopkins presented information on the SHPO budget crisis with the state. The 1994 budget will be cut 2.5 to 5%. It is possible SHPO will not be included and that the Department of Commerce may be eliminated.

NEW BUSINESS

The following recommendations for WAPA fiscal policy were presented to the membership:

- Establish a limit on third party donations; 30% of three year average annual income, not to exceed \$300 for 1993.
- Place a ceiling of \$200/individual donation. 2)
- Establish an endowment account with the \$1000 anonymous donation. The principle is not to be touched thus 3) building up enough interest to use for third party donations.
- Attempt to establish a minimum 25% annual growth rate for the organization. 4)

These proposals will be voted on this fall. They will not be established as bylaws.

Delegating a member as an official representative of WAPA was discussed. Past situations have deemed it necessary to have some type of policy concerning this role within the membership. Several views presented included that the Executive Committee was the most efficient means of presenting WAPA's ideas or that the Governmental Affairs committee might be considered as official WAPA reps. Individuals are free to comment on various reports, but official protests need membership approval and suggestions. It was suggested that members of the Executive committee sign such letters.

A motion was presented that a member of the executive committee, in hierarchical order, sign all official written comments concerning EA's and EIS's going to outside governmental entities. It was seconded and passed with one opposition from D. Vlcek. It was noted that all committee chairs are volunteers and they need to be trusted by the membership and have some freedom. They need to be guided by policies and right now WAPA has no policies. An amendment was made to the previous motion concerning the order of signatures: 1) President, 2) Vice President, 3) Secretary, 4) Treasurer, 5) Senior Member at Large, 6) Junior Member at Large. This was accepted and passed.

The overall feeling expressed was that appointed representatives of WAPA need to be trusted and should not have to take any heat for the position stated. A motion was presented that members who go to meetings as official representatives do a report for the newsletter. This was seconded and passed unanimously.

It was also motioned that a letter be written to Dianne Berrigan acknowledging her letter of resignation, but giving her a vote of confidence and ask her to reconsider. Swen volunteered to write the letter. This seconded and passed unanimously.

It was stated that the Governmental Affairs committee should be enlarged to get more people involved and act as a legislative liaison. The Executive committee should be more attentive and push issues. It was suggested that the state be divided and have an representative from each area. Julie Francis state that we need to talk with Dianne and get the committee restructured. This letter to Dianne is to be sent out prior to the fall meeting. The Executive committee will draw up a proposal for restructuring the committee.

Mary Hopkins announced that Archaeology Week is scheduled for September 10-18. Dennis Stanford will speak in Rawlins, Casper, and Laramie and there will be a public reception in Cheyenne. There will be fairs in Casper, Cheyenne, Laramie, and Rock Springs. The Executive committee approved a donation of \$200 for the poster.

Ranel Capron presented <u>Intrigues of the Past</u>, a program that is being sponsored by the Utah BLM. This is an archaeology book for students in grades 4 through 7. The lesson on Rock Art had a tremendous impact on the students about vandalism of rock art sites. It includes a teacher's activity guide and a resource directory/bibliography for teachers and the general public. The Wyoming BLM is beginning to work on a similar project doing prehistoric archaeology first and then historic. They are attempting to get the University to approve Anthropology credits for teachers who take the training course to use the program in their classrooms.

Ray Leicht commented that the BLM is doing more than CRM including dealing with Collections, Mining, ecosystem management, etc. to generate a more holistic approach. The law enforcement manual now includes information on looting and vandalism in relationship to ARPA. Treaty Days was very successful. Twenty video tapes were made and a set has been given to WAPA. Transcripts will be done for the next CRM Monograph #9.

A motion was made to present the video set given to WAPA to the University Anthropology Department. It was seconded and passed unanimously. Ray Leicht will send a letter to WAPA stating the videos can be copied with credit given to the National Park Service and the BLM. The tapes are not to be used for commercial purposes.

It was decided that the Fall 1993 meeting be held in Jackson in conjunction with the Rocky Mountain conference, September 29- October 1, 1993. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

The following nominations for officers were made:

VP

Rick Bryant, Dave Vlcek

Secretary

Beth Sennett Porter

Treasurer

Julie Francis

Member at Large

Brad Humphrey, Kevin Thompson, Ed Jess

It was announced that Dave Vlcek was the only individual who was presenting a paper. It was suggested that this be done Friday evening and not Saturday morning.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

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1993 FALL MEETING

In Conjunction with the First Biennial Rocky Mountain Conference

WHERE: Virginian Hotel, conference room

ask at front desk for specifics.

WHEN: Thursday, 30 September 1993, 1:00 p.m.

WHO: All members and interested parties are encouraged to attend!!

WAPA has contributed to the conference early bird party which will follow the meeting!!!